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# *The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement*

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# ***The IFRC***



## ***Video***

***[We are the Federation.mp4](#)***

## *Nearly a century of humanitarian action*

- IFRC was founded in 1919 as the League of Red Cross Societies to support National Red Cross Societies to improve the health of people in countries affected by the First World War.
- In 1991, the League of Red Cross Societies became the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.



# ***A membership organization***

- 190 Red Cross or Red Crescent National Societies (and Marshall Islands Red Cross Society)
- A secretariat that provides support to and linkages between our member National Societies
- International coordination services in response to large-scale disasters and health emergencies
- International representation, resource mobilization and humanitarian diplomacy



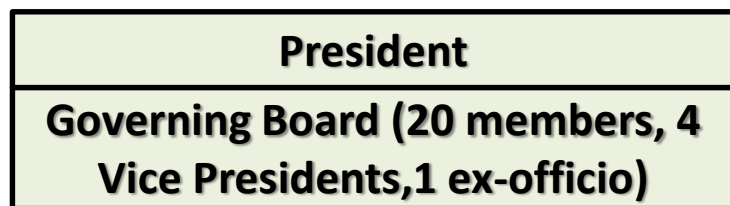


## Local impact, global reach

- 190 National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (plus Marshall Islands Red Cross Society)
- Around 17 million active volunteers depending on the year
- 80 million members
- Reaching more than 160 million people every year
- Combined income/expenditure about 31 billion Swiss francs

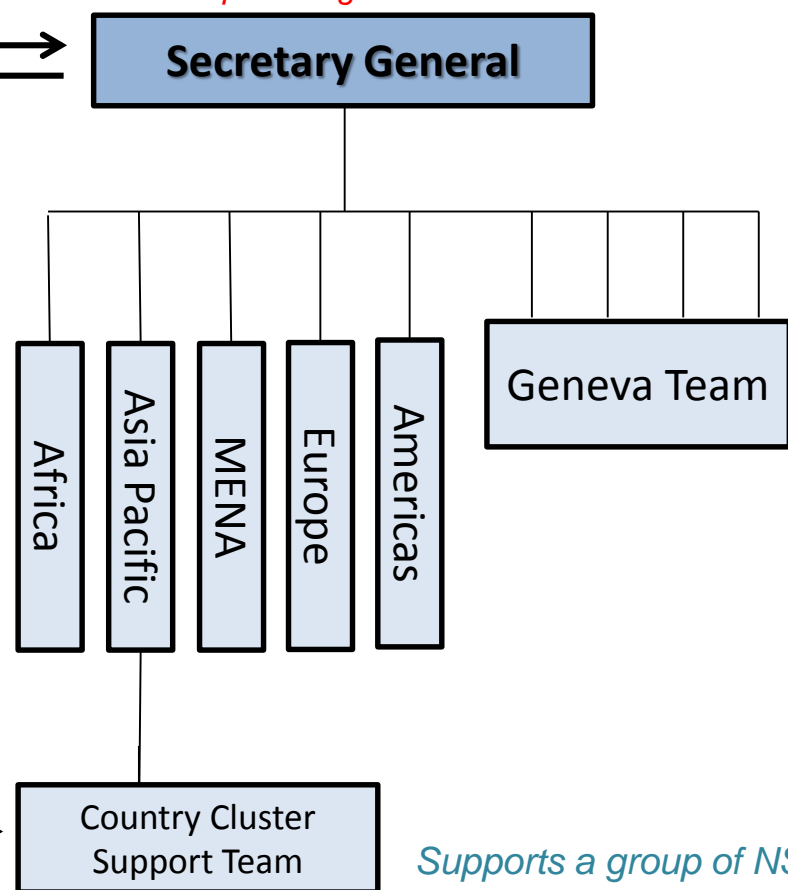
## IFRC Governance

*Sets direction, decides strategy and policy,  
supervises management*



## IFRC Management

*Translates strategy and policy into cost-effective results, decides use of resources,  
reports to governance*



190  
NSs

*Supports a group of NS*

# OUR FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

**HUMANITY  
IMPARTIALITY  
NEUTRALITY  
INDEPENDENCE  
VOLUNTARY SERVICE  
UNITY  
UNIVERSALITY**





## ***Vision 2020***

To inspire, encourage, facilitate, and promote at all times all forms of humanitarian activities by **National Societies**, with a view to preventing and alleviating human suffering, and thereby contributing to the maintenance and promotion of human dignity and peace in the world.

(Article 4, IFRC  
Constitution)

# ***Strategy 2020***

## ***Vision 2020***

### **Strategic Aim 1**

Save lives, protect  
livelihoods, and strengthen  
recovery from disasters  
and crises

### **Strategic Aim 2**

Enable healthy  
and safe living

### **Strategic Aim 3**

Promote social inclusion  
and a culture of non-  
violence and peace

### **Enabling Action 2**

Pursue humanitarian diplomacy to prevent and  
reduce vulnerability in a globalised world

### **Enabling Action 3**

Function effectively as the IFRC

### **Enabling Action 1**

**Build strong National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies**



# OUR PRIORITIES



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**Saving lives,  
building resilience.**



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**Local impact, the  
voice of people in  
need.**



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**Reaching the last  
mile, leaving no  
one behind.**

# OUR CROSS-CUTTING PRIORITIES



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## **Organizational development**

Working with National Societies around the world to attain sustainable organizational capacity in order to serve local communities



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## **Community engagement and accountability**

Recognizing local people and communities as leaders and equal partners in humanitarian action



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## **Local innovation**

Driving new knowledge, ideas and solutions to humanitarian challenges



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## **One Billion Coalition For Resilience**

A global network of new partnerships to support stronger communities where people can survive and thrive, even in the face of adversity

## ***Plan & Budget 2016 -2020 (updated 2018-2020)***

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### **Strategies for Implementation**

- Building the capacity of National Societies
- Managing international disaster response
- Carrying out humanitarian diplomacy
- Ensuring a strong IFRC

### **Areas of focus**

- Disaster risk reduction
- Shelter
- Livelihoods
- Health
- Water & Sanitation
- Protection, Gender & Inclusion
- Migration
- Education (being explored)

# OUR NETWORK



**Headquarters  
in Geneva,  
Switzerland**



**Five  
regional offices**  
in Africa, Asia Pacific,  
the Americas, Europe  
and Middle East  
North Africa



**Three  
representation offices**  
in New York,  
Brussels and  
Addis Ababa



**190 member  
National Red  
Cross and  
Red Crescent  
Societies located  
around the world**

# IFRC REFERENCE CENTRES

A global network of knowledge and expertise

## Australia

Global Advisory Panel on Corporate Governance and Risk Management of Blood Services in National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

## Belgium

Centre for Evidence-Based Practice  
Shelter Research Unit

## Costa Rica

Reference Centre for Community Resilience  
(*Centro de Referencia para la Resiliencia Comunitaria*)

## Denmark

Reference Centre for Psychosocial Support

## El Salvador

Reference Centre for Institutional Disaster Preparedness  
(*Centro de Referencia en Preparación Institucional Para Desastres*)

## France

Global First Aid Reference Centre

## Luxembourg

Shelter Research Unit

## Netherlands

Red Cross Red Crescent Climate Centre

Shelter Research Unit

## Republic of Korea

Asia Pacific Reference Centre on Disaster Risk Reduction and Community Resilience

## Spain

Livelihoods Resource Centre  
Reference Centre on Volunteering

## Switzerland

Global Advisory Panel on Corporate Governance and Risk Management of Blood Services in National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

## United Kingdom

Reference Centre on Volunteering

## United States of America

Global Disaster Preparedness Centre

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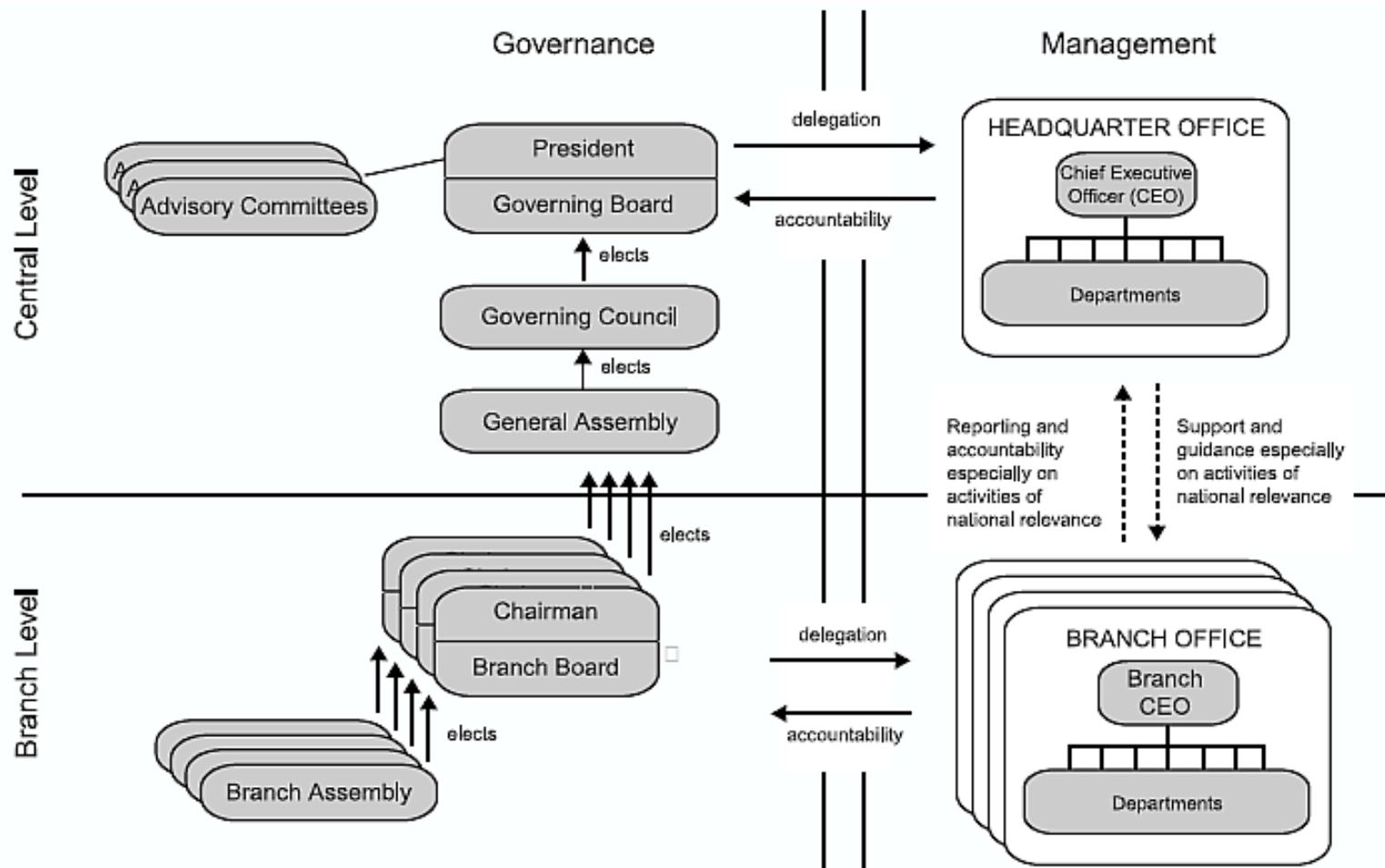
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# ***National Societies***

- National Societies act as **auxiliaries to the public authorities** of their own countries in the humanitarian field.
- They provide a range of services including disaster relief, health and social programmes, and assistance to people affected by war.



## ***A NS structure***



# ***National Societies provide services like:***

**Disaster response and  
recovery –  
to save lives and protect  
livelihoods**

- Search and rescue
- Emergency shelter
- Food, relief supplies and clean water
- Restoring family links



# ***National Societies provide services like:***

## **Enabling healthy and safe living**

- Disaster risk reduction and resilience building
- Community-based health and care
- First aid training
- Water, sanitation and hygiene promotion
- Climate change adaptation
- Psychosocial support



# ***National Societies provide services like:***

## **Promoting social inclusion and peace**

- Promotion of the practical application of the Fundamental Principles
- Integration of disadvantaged people into their communities
- Migrant and refugee services
- Community engagement, training and education



## Asia Pacific region and country representation



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[www.pmi.or.id](http://www.pmi.or.id)

[www.standcom.ch](http://www.standcom.ch)

<http://www.rcrc-resilience-southeastasia.org/>

# Thank you

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